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COOPERATIVE PROGRAM FOR THE STUDY OF RAPTORS AND THEIR
ROLE IN THE ECOSYSTEM

2.1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING TO DR. V. V.
KRINITSKY, MAIN CONSERVATION ADMINISTRATON, USSR MINISTRY
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USSR MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
MOSCOW, USSR

DEAR VASILI VASILIEVICH:

THE JULY 1-15 DATES FOR U.S. RAPTOR SPECIALISTS TO VISIT
USSR AS SUGGESTED IN YOUR FEBRUARY 2 LETTER ARE SATISFAC-

TORY. U.S. SPECIALISTS ARE: DR. F. PRESCOTT WARD, CHIEF, ECOLOGICAL RESEARCH, EDGEWOOD ARSENAL, ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, MARYLAND, AND DR. MARK ROY FULLER, BIOLOGIST, COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE, UNIV. OF MINN., ST. PAUL.

3. IF POSSIBLE, U.S. SPECIALISTS WISH TO VISIT SIBERIAN TUNDRA AREA TO VIEW PEREGRINE NEST SITES AND ARE ALSO INTERESTED IN CONTINENTAL NESTING OF PEREGRINES IF SUB-SPECIES ARE SUFFICIENTLY ABUNDANT FOR MEANINGFUL OBSERVATIONS.

4. DURING THE COURSE OF THEIR VISIT TO USSR DRS. WARD AND FULLER WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH SOVIET RAPTOR SPECIALISTS TO PLAN A PROGRAM OF FUTURE COOPERATION IN THIS FIELD.

5. U.S. SIDE CAN RECEIVE SOVIET SPECIALISTS FOR TWO WEEKS AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER 1977. SOVIET SPECIALISTS WOULD BE ABLE TO VISIT CAPE MAY BIRD OBSERVATORY, CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY, AND ASSATEAGUE ISLAND (MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA) FOR A DETAILED LOOK AT CAPTURE, MARKING AND OTHER RESEARCH TECHNIQUES USED BY U.S. SPECIALISTS IN STUDYING RAPTORS. IF DESIRED, A VISIT TO PATUXENT WILDLIFE RESEARCH CENTER, LAUREL, MARYLAND, MAY BE ARRANGED TO VIEW RAPTOR BANDING DATA HANDLING AND PROCESSING. IN ADDITION, VISITS CAN BE ARRANGED TO A RELEASE SITE FOR CAPTIVE REARED PEREGRINE FALCONS NEAR BALTIMORE, MARYLAND AS WELL AS CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK, WHERE THE NATION'S LARGEST RAPTOR BREEDING FACILITY IS LOCATED.

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6. FURTHER DETAILS OF ITINERARY FOR SOVIET SPECIALISTS CAN BE DEVELOPED DURING DR. WARD'S TRIP TO USSR.

7. PLEASE ADVISE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHAT ITINERARY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR DRS. WARD AND FULLER SO PLANS FOR VISIT CAN PROCEED.

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